



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Appl. No. : 10/734,197**  
**Applicants : Chin-Cheng Chien et al.**  
**Filed : December 15, 2003**  
**Title : METHOD OF SURFACE PRETREATMENT  
BEFORE SELECTIVE EPITAXIAL GROWTH**  
**TC/A.U. : 2822**  
**Examiner : DUONG, KHANH B**  
**Docket No. : 025796-00013**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

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August 25, 2005

Sir:

This paper is in response to the Official Action dated May 18, 2005. Applicants respectfully request that Examiner reconsiders the application according to the following remarks.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.